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SUBJECT: INITIAL REACTION TO HIRC VOTE

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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
COMMITTEE (HIRC) VOTE TO REPEAL SECTION 620(X) OF FAA WAS
REPORTED PROMINENTLY IN GREEK CYPRIOT PRESS MAY 4, FIRST
DAY PAPERS RESUMED PUBLICATION AFTER LONG EASTER HOLIDAY.
PAPERS EMPHASIZE CLOSENESS OF VOTE, ESPECIALLY IN
COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS VOTES ON THIS SUBJECT IN

HIRC, AS CAUSE FOR OPTIMISM THAT LIFTING OF EMBARGO WILL NOT BE SUPPORTED BY WHOLE HOUSE. PAPERS ALSO QUOTE POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES IN WASHINGTON AS EXPRESSING CONVICTION THAT TIDE OF OPINION IN CONGRESS IS RUNNING AGAINST ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSAL TO LIFT EMBARGO. NEWS OF HIRC VOTE WAS RECEIVED HERE TOO LATE TO PERMIT EDITORIAL TREATMENT BY PRESS. TURKISH CYPRIOT PAPERS ALSO PROMINENTLY REPORT VOTE BUT WITHOUT EDITORIAL COMMENT.

2. GOC HAS NOT YET COMMENTED ON ACTUAL VOTE, BUT MAY 3 STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU INDICATES LINE GOVERNMENT WILL FOLLOW. COMMENTING ON REPORTS THAT PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT HAD URGED UN SECRETARY GENERAL TO RECONVENE TALKS, KYPRIANOU SAID TURKISH PRIME MINISTER'S REAL AIM IN SUBMITTING PROPOSALS WAS TO PROVIDE U.S. ADMINISTRATION WITH ARGUMENTS TO USE WITH CONGRESS TO LIFT EMBARGO. KYPRIANOU WENT ON TO SAY, "I LIKE TO BELIEVE THAT THE MAJORITY OF CONGRESSMEN WILL NOT WALK INTO THIS TRAP." END UNCLASSIFIED.

3. BEGIN LOU: COMMENT: WE BELIEVE GOC WILL NOT ATTACH GREAT DEAL OF SIGNIFICANCE TO HIRC VOTE BUT WILL CONCENTRATE ITS EFFORTS ON BLOCKING REPEAL OF 620(X) ON HOUSE FLOOR. IT WILL CONTINUE TO LAMBASTE TURKISH CYPRIOT PROPOSALS AS RETROGRESSIVE, NOT CONSTITUTING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PROGRESS ON CYPRUS, AND THEREFORE NOT JUSTIFYING LIFTING OF EMBARGO. END LOU.
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